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HEBERT IS PROUD OF CIA

NEWSCASTER: "The Central Intelligence Agency has over the years been handed some assignments overt agencies of government would not approach with a barge pole. When the operations are successful nothing further is heard from them, when they fail the CIA is accused of meddling and bungling.

"Since the revelation that the CIA has been secretly subsidizing students and other groups for years, Vice-President Humphrey says he is disappointed, Senator Frank Church of Idaho said."

CHURCH: "I'm shocked at the extent to which a deception is being plastered. There seems to be no limit to the penetration, the covert penetration of our academic life, our journalistic life, our business life -- it makes me think we may be halfway to 1984."

NEWSCASTER: "Another Senator, Robert Kennedy of New York disagrees with Church and other critics. He says the decision to subsidize private groups was made in the executive branch during the Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson administrations.

"Louisiana Representative F. Edward Hebert also speaks for the defense, he says."

HEBERT: "I never heard that they were in the business of training altar boys. I always thought they were in the business of spying, everybody knew they were spying. Well, how do you spy?"

By anything at your command. I'm proud of the way they operate. I'm not proud of the criticism that has come their way, but what do we want to do, turn everything over to the enemy, enough is being turned over in this country today to the enemy. You can't capture criminals anymore, or policemen have handcuffs on. The niceties of life are not the niceties for survival."

NEWSCASTER: "As it has in the past, the CIA will probably come through the present uproar, lick its wounds in private, and go on to other things."